

COLD WEATHER TALK IN WESTERLY

Town's Valuation as Returned to State Treasurer \$59,221,900

—Dr. John Champlin Buys Langworthy Block—Gouin-Marcy Marriage—Norwich Hunters After Game.

The Treasurer Read has received returns from all assessors of taxes in a state excepting from the towns of Westville, Coventry, Scituate and Warwick. With the returns from these towns listed as a year ago, the total assessed valuation of Rhode Island is \$1,735,473, an increase of \$4,611,332, as all but two of the 34 places heard from gains have been made, and in most instances substantial increase. Hopkinton and Middletown are the only towns to show a decrease in valuation. The Hopkinton assessment shows a loss of \$27,023 and Middletown a loss of \$84,145. The new valuation and increases of Westery and adjacent towns is as follows: Westery valuation \$2,111,500, an increase of \$375,296; Richmond valuation \$1,429,685, increase \$208,525; Charlestown \$1,181,500, increase \$40,450.

Lieut. Oscar J. Gatchell, nephew of Mrs. Willie Amy of Westery, son of Lieut. Col. George W. Gatchell, United States army, detailed as inspector-instructor of the Rhode Island National

guard, is visiting his parents at Edgewood. Lieutenant Gatchell was graduated from West Point last June and was assigned to duty at Fort Monroe. He has been ordered to a new station at Fort Strong, Boston.

Dr. John Champlin has purchased from the heirs of Nathan H. Langworthy the business building on Main street known as the Langworthy block. This is a three-story brick building, with the Reuter and Miner stores on the ground floor, and is just above the driveway that divided the Langworthy and the Champlin property. This purchase gives Dr. Champlin full control of the driveway and about doubles the Champlin property front on Main street. The Langworthy block is well tenanted and is considered a first class investment. It is understood that improvements are to be made which may include the erection of a building in the space now used as the driveway.

Local Laconics.

The Third district court convenes in Westery this (Friday) morning. There are many cases of whooping cough in Westery and Pawcatuck.

The first block of granite in the new postoffice building was laid on the granite waterable Thursday morning. The final shipment of the equipment of the Westery branch of the Lehigh Valley Silk company was shipped on Thursday to Bethlehem, Pa.

Mrs. Betsey Slocum, who recently observed the centennial anniversary of her birth, has a severe cold and requires the attention of a physician.

Carroll T. Jones, a teacher in the Westery High school, has leased for the winter the J. Irving Maxson cottage in Wawinnet avenue, Watch Hill.

Mrs. Minu Tilla, a missionary of the Rhode Island Baptist state convention, will give a public address in Calvary Baptist church this (Friday) afternoon.

The J. Irving Maxson family of Westery sailed from Stonington Thursday morning in schooner Ronald, Wagner master, for Isle of Pines, West Indies.

C. Leo Higgins and M. J. Deady of Westery are members of the class of 1915, Rhode Island College of Pharmacy. Mr. Higgins has been elected class president.

George E. Hodge of Norwich, with a few comrades, arrived in Westery Thursday morning and started from here on a hunting trip in the woods to the northward of the village.

At a meeting of the senior class of Westery High school Thursday Dorothy P. Barber, Arnold Ames, Carl Brucker, Anna Clancy and Viola Breen were selected a committee to arrange for the class promenade.

Miss Ethel Irene Brown, instructor of music in Susquehanna university, Saltingrove, Pa., will arrive home in a few days for the Christmas holiday season. She will be accompanied by her mother, Mrs. James E. Brown.

Mrs. Philip Ludwig-Blake, a former teacher in the Westery High school who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph L. Peacock, returned on Thursday to Providence prior to her departure for her home in Butte, Mont.

New planking has been placed on the extreme end of the Broad street bridge in Westery which is fully an inch higher than the connecting concrete walk. Unless this defect is remedied there is liable to be a suit in damages against the town.

Miss Mary Marcy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Marcy, and Albert Gouvin of White Rock were married in St. Michael's church Thursday morning. Rev. William A. Krause officiating. Miss Leonora Marcy, sister of the bride, was bridesmaid, and Joseph Gouvin, brother of the groom, was best man.

COLCHESTER

Sale and Play for Library Benefit Will Net About \$200—Grange Elects Officers.

The annual sale at the Cragin Memorial library was held Wednesday from 3 to 9 o'clock. A large crowd was present when the sale opened, and there was a brisk trade until the tables were nearly empty. The fancy articles table was in charge of Mrs. D. M. Hakes, Mrs. William S. Curtis and Mrs. Emmeline Ransom; candy table, Mrs. R. A. Moon, Mrs. Young and Miss Leale; fish pond, Miss Leale; apron sale, Miss Elizabeth Day, Mrs. Leffingwell and Miss Nora Kelly; tea tables, Miss Sarah and Elizabeth Bigelow and Miss Kemp; cake table, Miss Ella Cragin, Mrs. L. C. Brown.

In the basement of the building the Boys' club presented the farce "The Barkey Wood Peddler," with the following cast: Deacon Decker, Dwight Wickwire; Mrs. Deacon Decker, Lawrence Carrier; Jehonas Cleveland, Harry Blacker. The parts were well taken, especially that of Blacker as the dorky. The play was under the direction of Manager M. D. Down. Joseph Lazinski coached the actors. Nearly \$11 was added to the proceeds of the sale from the play.

After the evening performance auction of cake and candy was held. Prof. Moon was auctioneer. The library will add nearly \$200 to its treasury from the sale.

Grange Election.

At the meeting of Colchester grange Tuesday evening the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Master, Frank H. Browning; overseer, Albert H. Foote; lecturer, Mrs. F. H. Browning; steward, Clayton G. Miller; assistant steward, George B. Miller; chaplain, James R. Dutton; treasurer, Miss Belle L. Strong; secretary, Carroll E. Staples; gatekeeper, Charles H. Strong; Ceres, Miss Alice Mahoney; Pomona, Miss Nettie Symmes; Flora, Miss Ethel Foote; lady assistant, Mrs. Ida Wagner; executive committee for three years, T. S. Rathbun.

Miss Willard Visiting Miss Cragin.

Miss Abby G. Willard left town Tuesday for a month's visit with her sister, Mrs. Edwin E. Cragin, in New York.

Mrs. Clarence H. Norton, Mrs. Robert S. Brown and Mrs. Carlton Skinner of North Westchester were visiting friends in town Wednesday.

Abraham Elgart was a Norwich visitor Tuesday. H. Wolf and C. D. Greenberg were guests of friends in Norwich Thursday.

Mrs. Henry McDonald of Middletown was in Colchester Wednesday.

STAFFORD SPRINGS

Michael H. McCarthy, who recently sold out his business at the Stafford hotel, is visiting relatives in Pawcatuck. Mr. McCarthy has no definite plans for the future.

Harry McCarthy is the guest of friends in Boston. C. P. Burdick, who recently sold his business to H. E. Jones, has bought it back and will continue in business.

The teachers' training class is to meet at the Methodist church Tuesday evening.

The Foresters held their regular meeting in Society hall Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Royce are moving to Williamstown, where they will spend the winter.

Brief State News

Litchfield.—The annual meeting of the Litchfield County Choral union was held at Delmonico's in New York Thursday afternoon.

Meriden.—Max Roth, shirtwaist manufacturer, who operates a factory at Hartford, is considering starting another factory in Meriden.

Winsted.—M. B. Dunbar of Winsted is seeking the place of state auditor to succeed E. S. Roberts of East Canaan, state treasurer-elect.

New London.—Miss Charlotte Molyneux Holloway lectured Tuesday night before the High Fives Business Men's club of Providence on Woman Suffrage.

Thomaston.—Notice has been posted in the watch department of the Seth Thomas Clock company that the factory will run 55 hours a week until further notice.

Bantam.—The Connecticut Electric Manufacturing company closed its shop at Bantam and moved to Bridgeport, where it will open up a similar shop, Monday.

Waterbury.—The altar boys of St. Francis Xavier's church have formed themselves into a literary society and will meet twice each month. The club will hold debates and discussions.

Hartford.—The 25th anniversary of the organization of the Christ church choir was celebrated Thursday afternoon and evening with a special programme of music and reunion services.

Bristol.—The silver anniversary of Adelphi lodge, No. 12, N. E. O. F., was held Wednesday night in Red Men's hall with about 100 in attendance. The lodge was the 12th to be formed in the state.

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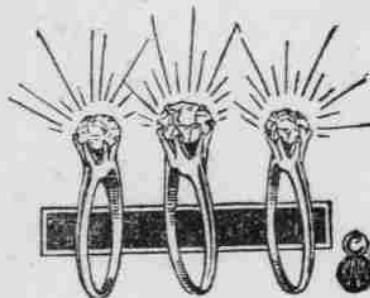
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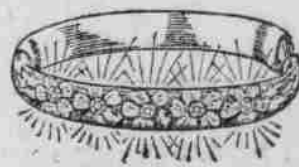


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